

**Subject:** [Fwd: [Fwd: Port St. Nicholas Road Project]]  
**From:** Jeff Ottesen <jeff\_ottesen@dot.state.ak.us>  
**Date:** Sat, 31 Dec 2005 10:55:48 -0900  
**To:** Susan K Woodrow <susan\_woodrow@dot.state.ak.us>

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Subject: [Fwd: Port St. Nicholas Road Project]  
Date: Sat, 24 Dec 2005 15:12:07 -0900  
From: Andy Hughes <andy\_hughes@dot.state.ak.us>  
To: Jeffery C Ottesen <jeff\_ottesen@dot.state.ak.us>

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**Subject:** Port St. Nicholas Road Project  
**From:** Garry and Kim <gbrand@aptalaska.net>  
**Date:** Sat, 24 Dec 2005 10:10:45 -0900  
**To:** andy\_hughes@dot.state.ak.us

Dear Mr. Hughes,

I am writing in regard to the recent decision by the DOT to pull the \$3 million dollar matching funds for the Port St. Nicholas Road Upgrade Project until after 2009. We need this road improved badly NOW! We need your help to keep it in the budget. There are hundreds of people driving on this road, including a daily school bus route! The road in its current condition is not only very rough to drive on, it is extremely dangerous. The road has many curves and is crowning in the middle. When it gets slippery and icy many people simply slide off the road. There are many drop-offs and dangerous curves. Due to the great number of potholes on the road, which sometimes get to be almost a foot deep, people have to swerve and drive in the lane of on-coming traffic. We have had several people injured because of this and if this road is not taken care of soon, someone is going to be killed. Since the road is outside city limits they only grade it once every three months, due to the water plant being at the end of the road, and when it gets icy, that's just the way it stays. This road is the only way into town for the hundreds of people that live on it. 2009 is much too late and if delayed that long this road may not even be drivable by then. The matching funds from BIA will also probably be gone! I think it is easily worth the 3 million that is being asked for to make this a safe road for the people that live and work here and for their children. If this road were in Juneau, affecting that many people, it would have been a done deal. Please reconsider! I thought road building was one of the Governor's top priorities??

Thank you for listening,  
Kim Brand  
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